GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Responsibilities of National Testing Agency (NTA)

1071. SHRI GIRIDHARI YADAV: SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the responsibilities of National Testing Agency (NTA);
- (b) the details of the present member of NTA;
- (c) the details of the annual budget of NTA;
- (d) whether it is a fact that NTA is not fulfilling the aims for its establishment; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) to (e) The Responsibilities of NTA include conduct of efficient, transparent and international standards tests in order to assess the competency of candidates for admission to Higher Education Institutions.

Presently, the General Body of NTA has the following composition:

- i. Chairperson: Present Chairperson is an educationist and former Chairman UPSC.
- ii. Director General, NTA: Ex-Officio Member
- iii. Three Directors of IITs in their ex-officio capacity as present, preceeding and succeeding Chairpersons of JEE(Advanced) as Members
- iv. Two Directors of the NITs in their ex-officio capacity as present and preceeding Chairpersons of Central Seat Allocation Board (CSAB) as Members
- v. Two Directors of the IIMs in their ex-officio capacity as present and preceeding Chairpersons of CAT as Members
- vi. Director, IISER, Pune as Member
- vii. Vice-Chancellor, Jawaharlal Nehru University as Member
- viii. Three Experts from the field of Testing

As per decision of the Government, one time grant of Rs. 25.00 Crores was sanctioned to NTA to start its operations. Thereafter, NTA is financially self-sustained in it operations.

Since its inception in 2018, NTA has successfully conducted over 240 examinations involving over 5.4 crores candidates.
